



2025 Lab Preliminary Application

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CONTACT INFORMATION

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OVERVIEW

IDEA OVERVIEW

Briefly describe the idea and how it will mobilize finance towards its impact objectives. Be as specific as possible. *(150 Words)*

Please select the type/structure of financial instrument that is being proposed. *(Multiple select dropdown menu)*.

- Alternative investments (e.g., private equity, private debt)
- Asset finance (e.g., project finance, consumer-based finance)
- Credit enhancement (e.g., guarantee, insurance)
- Data tools
- Fixed income (e.g., bonds, notes)
- Results-based finance (e.g., carbon finance, KPI-linked bond)
- Servitization (e.g., PayGo models)
- Structured product (e.g., security, derivative)
- Other

If you selected other, please specify:

Organization type. *(Single select dropdown menu)*

- Asset manager
- Financial institution
- Corporate
- Non-profit
- Consortium
- Other

If you selected 'Consortium' or 'Other,' please specify:

What region(s) does the proposed instrument primarily target? If this idea targets more than two regions, please select 'Global.' *(Single select dropdown menu)*

- Asia-Pacific
- Eastern Europe & Central Asia
- Global
- Latin America and the Caribbean
- Middle East & North Africa
- East & Southern Africa

Which 1-3 country(ies) does your idea target, in order of priority? Please make a distinction between primary and secondary targets. *(25 words)*

HIGH-LEVEL INSTRUMENT QUESTIONS

Please rank the top 3 Lab Stream(s) you are applying for in order of preference. *Please only include the stream(s) that are applicable to your idea. If only one stream is applicable, rank only one stream.*

Global

- Agriculture and Food Systems
- Climate Adaptation
- Climate Mitigation

Regional

- Brazil
- India
- East and Southern Africa
- Latin America Adaptation
- Latin America Mitigation
- Asia Pacific

What sector sub-sector, and climate action does your idea target? *(Single select dropdown menus)*

Sector <i>(dropdown)</i>	Sub-Sector <i>(dropdown)</i>	Climate Action <i>(dropdown)</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy • Land Use/AFOLU • Sustainable Cities • Water/WASH • Climate Resilience • Other 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewable Energy • Energy Access • Energy Efficiency • Sustainable Agriculture • Forestry • Infrastructure • Transport • Buildings • Water • Sanitation • Other 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mitigation • Adaptation • Cross-cutting

If you selected other, please specify:

Which Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) does your idea seek to address? *Select all that apply.* *

- 1: No Poverty
- 2: Zero Hunger
- 3: Good Health and Well-being
- 4: Quality Education
- 5: Gender Equality
- 6: Clean Water and Sanitation
- 7: Affordable and Clean Energy
- 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth
- 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- 10: Reduced Inequality
- 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities
- 12: Responsible Consumption and Production
- 13: Climate Action
- 14: Life Below Water
- 15: Life on Land
- 16: Peace and Justice Strong Institutions
- 17: Partnerships to Achieve the Goals

LAB FIT

Have you applied to the Lab before?

- Yes
- No

If yes, what progress have you made since your last submission? *(75 words):*

Which of the Lab's core activities and value offerings are most relevant in developing your idea? *Please select all that apply.*

- Design and stress testing of financial instrument mechanics
- Target market research and analysis
- Market sounding with expert working group members
- Financial modeling
- Environmental and social impact modelling
- Development of an implementation pathway and milestones
- External validation provided by Lab endorsement
- Development of investor pitch materials
- Mapping of potential funders
- Connection with the Lab's network

INNOVATION

Briefly describe the existing barriers that prevent private finance from flowing into the target sector and/or geography and discuss how the idea overcomes these barriers. Please touch on how this is different than or improves upon existing initiatives. *(200 words)*

ACTIONABILITY

Briefly describe your ability to implement this idea i.e., what connection(s) do you have with the target country or region and how does the proposed financial instrument fit into your operations? Additionally, will you be the entity that will disburse capital? If not, has that entity been identified? *(200 words)*

CATALYTIC POTENTIAL

Detail how the idea can 1) scale up private investment in the target market and 2) be replicated in other markets. *(200 words)*

FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

Explain the instrument's path to becoming commercially viable. Briefly touch on if/why the idea requires public/philanthropic finance and describe how it aims to attract private finance. (i.e., through de-risking mechanisms). *(200 words)*

PROGRESS TO DATE

STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT

What is the idea's current stage of development? **Select one from the list below. Most past Lab ideas were accepted into the program in stages 2-5.*

1. **Basic Idea:** The idea is in an early-stage concept. Preliminary research has been done, but instrument structure, target market, and/or implementing partners have not been identified or defined.
2. **Initial development:** The idea is undergoing research and testing but is not yet at a point which they can reasonably be deemed 'feasible'. Concept has been shown potential to work in practice, yet details on instrument structure and pathway to market are still unclear.
3. **Proof of Concept:** The idea has been developed and tested to the point that it is in theory feasible, with further activity required to make the next commercial steps (pilot, product development, required agreements etc) happen. Instrument has developed a viable product, with few details to still be developed.
4. **Pilot Instrument:** A pilot has been tested and financial vehicle development is nearly (or fully) complete.
5. **Expansion:** Instrument is active and in scale-up mode, refining model, seeking out additional funding or operational partners.
6. **Scale-up:** Instrument is already active and in scale-up mode, seeking out additional funding or operational partners, and/or replication in new sectors or regions.
7. **Replication:** The instrument has been shown to work and is being replicated in sectors and/or geographies.

Are there other organizations, actors, and/or investors involved in this instrument? What role do they play and what is the nature of their relationship with the proposed institution? *(100 words)*

Briefly summarize the activities completed to date towards the design and implementation of the idea. *(150 words):*

Has any investor expressed initial interest in the idea? Or has the idea been validated by any external parties. If so, please provide details. *(50 words):*

TEAM COMPOSITION

Please list the details of all team members, adding rows as necessary.

Name	Role	Team Lead? Y/N	Time Commitment (%)	Location	Gender	LinkedIn
Team member 1						
Team member 2						
Team member 3						
Team member 4						
Team member 5						
Team member 6						
Team member 7						

STAKEHOLDERS

Please identify key stakeholders for this idea and level of engagement (i.e., NDA, MoU, funding commitment, etc.). Key stakeholders may include prospective investors, technical assistance providers, partner institutions, advisory firms/individuals, investees, among others.

Name	Role in the Idea	Level of Engagement	Location
Stakeholder 1			
Stakeholder 2			
Stakeholder 3			
Stakeholder 4			
Stakeholder 5			
Stakeholder 6			
Stakeholder 7			
Stakeholder 8			
Stakeholder 9			
Stakeholder 10			

OTHER

How did you hear about the Lab? *Please select all that apply.*

- Google
- The Lab Website
- Social Media
- Referral
- Other

If you selected other, please specify:

If referral, by whom were you referred to apply to the Lab?

Optional additional comments for the Lab. *(150 words)*